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AMERICA FIRST

WAR WITH MEXICO
ARE we to have war with Mexico?
That is the question of the hour.
The matter is up to Carranza. He has tried to run a gigantic bluff, and it has been called. He can either go as far as he desires and take the result; or back up a little distance and cease his thundering.
The United States troops will not be recalled from Mexico now, as requested by the Mexican leader. The troops will be recalled only when the northern section of Mexico is properly and effectively policed; and when American citizens and American property are afforded ample protection against further outrages.
Opinion is divided as to what the next action of Carranza will be. Some are of the opinion that war is inevitable; others are hopeful that it will be averted.
That war shall not be is to be devoutly wished. But the time has come when the Mexican-United States controversy has reached a crisis. For far too long this country has endured insult after insult at the hands of the southern republic. This government cannot retract. It is up to the other party. Peace if possible; but the United States will fight if need be to defend the rights of its citizens.
It is up to Carranza.

If Edward Everett Hale was living now, he might change his story to "The Man Without Two Countries."
"AMERICANIZATION."
AMERICANIZATION has been the subject of a great educational campaign since the preparedness plans started to take shape. Night classes for immigrants have been formed in many public schools. Books about our system of government have been printed in foreign languages for the benefit of future citizens. Courses of study for adult residents of foreign birth, questions and answers to aid applicants for naturalization, and other similar efforts to control, regulate, assimilate and eliminate the hyphen have been forwarded by the government. But this united effort carried on for

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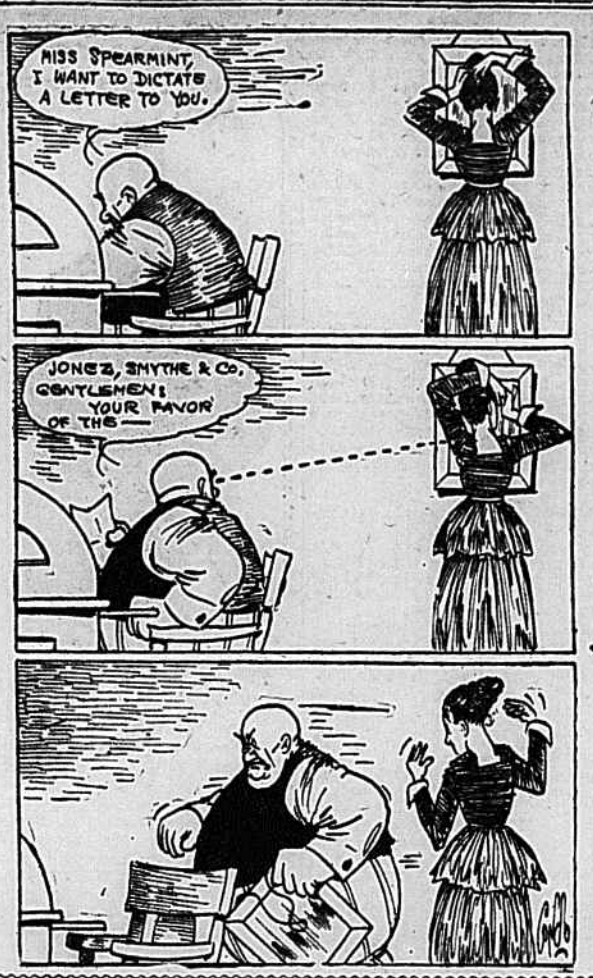
WASHINGTON, D. C., June 21.—It will take many a day's hard work on the part of Congressman Howard Sutherland and his stenographic force to answer all the telegrams and letters of congratulations which have poured in on him since his nomination for United States Senator in the Republican primary. And they are still coming, too, for that matter. They are from men who did not support him as well as from men who did. Pledges of hearty support and optimistic predictions of Mr. Sutherland's election next November are the rule.
Following are a few samples from Congressman Sutherland's mail following from representative citizens resident in all parts of the state, and many of them Democrats, but personal friends and admirers:
"Congratulations. It was great surprise; but am for you"—Hon. Isaac T. Mann, Bramwell.
"Accept hearty congratulations on your splendid victory"—Judge C. S. Dick, Lewisburg.
"Congratulations. Well pleased with your nomination and Justice Hughes"—C. S. Ash, Salem.
"Just to congratulate you, that's all. A noble, tight and a well earned victory. And the last shall be first"—R. E. Horner, Parkersburg.
"It is very hard to defeat good people. Congratulations"—A. J. Schultz, Wheeling.
"Needless to say I am very proud of you. You are the lad who will pull our ticket through"—W. B. Matthews, Charleston.
"Congratulations and congratulations"—H. H. Bodley, Elom Grove.
"Congratulations. Nothing has happened, except my own victory, to please me more than yours"—J. D. Parriott, Moundsville.
"Congratulations from boys at the plant"—W. B. Kain, Supt. of electric light plant at Wheeling.
"Accept my hearty congratulations"—W. L. Price, Berkeley Springs.
"I am very much pleased"—H. H. Cook, Romney.
"Congratulations. You made a marvelous race and deserved it"—Geo. H. White, Weston.
"Accept my heart congratulations upon your splendid victory"—Birk S. Stathers, Weston.
"Congratulations on your wonderful single-handed victory. I feel that you will be elected by a big majority"—C. F. Sutherland, Morgantown.
"Congratulations you on the splendid manner you have shown to the people of the state that you are a real vote-getter, and I hope next November you will prove a sure winner then, too"—Syvester Clayton, Fairmont.
"You made a wonderful race and your friends feel very proud of you"—Clark Colerider, Adrain, W. Va.
"I congratulate you. If West Virginia is to be represented in the Senate by a Republican, I am delighted that the party has selected for its Senator the best Republican in West Virginia"—Hon. James E. Byrnes, Democratic member of the House of Representatives.
"It is most gratifying to your hosts of friends. Congratulations"—E. C. Frame, Fairmont.
"Congratulations on your splendid victory"—A. Bliss McCrum, Charleston.
"Allow us to rejoice with you on the outcome"—Alfred Paul and son, Wheeling.
"My congratulations, though delayed, are none the less sincere and hearty"—Congressman Hunter H. Moss from Atlantic City.
"Congratulations on your wonderful victory"—John W. Mason, Jr., Fairmont.
"My heartiest congratulations on your nomination and assure you that we have our sleeves rolled up for a genuine battle to put you across as our next United States Senator"—E. S. Baker, Bramwell.
"I wish to congratulate you. With the kind of a canvass you will make I feel sure there will be no doubt carrying the state, and it will be my pleasure to see you the next United States Senator"—J. W. Vandervort, Parkersburg.
"I congratulate you on your nomination. In you we have a candidate that we can win with"—W. P. Hawley, Bluefield.
"Extend to you my hearty congratulations"—Hon. Thomas W. Fleming, Fairmont.
"You have certainly proven your ability as a vote getter"—J. M. N. Downes, Buckhannon.
"Congratulations you on your magnificent victory"—Charles G. Coffman, Clarksburg.
"I want to shake with you a hearty shake on your great success"—George C. Baker, Morgantown.
"I congratulate you upon your splendid victory"—U. G. Young, Buckhannon.

months has only accomplished a fraction of what has been done by the two presidential candidates over night.
Everybody has read by this time of Hughes' stand on "Undiluted Americanism" and what Wilson says about "alien sympathizers who are trying to levy a species of political blackmails."
So far, both Democratic and Republican candidates appear to flee from any vote which does not represent a single standard of loyalty to the United States.
Although the stand for the radically opposite views of opposing political parties, Wilson and Hughes are evidently united in the deepest understanding of the spirit of Americanism. And all those who pretend that a double loyalty does not mean a divided loyalty have been forced to do a little clear thinking.
Hughes and Wilson have both been teachers in their time, but they have never done such necessary and effective work as in their present expression of the first principles of true Americanism.
And these two men are living examples of the wisdom of our forefathers who wrote in the constitution of the United States:
"No person except a natural born citizen—shall be eligible to the office of president."
Dr. Dippy at the Colonial today. Who's looney now?
Credit one nice day to the weatherman's account.
Old J. P. certainly provided numerous "showers" for all June brides, rich and poor.
"Beer Drinking Scored." From what base?
"Noise Ender to Speak." Why not practice what you preach?
It looks as if the U. S. may have a shot and shell of a time making Carranza understand who's who.
The habitual knocker should remember that
"Any nose
May ravage with impunity a rose."
Says the St. Charles, Mo., Banner,
News in Missouri:
Died
Eloped
Married
Divorced
Left Town
Embezzled
Had a fire
Sold a Farm
Had a Baby
Come to town
Been arrested
Bought a home
Committed Murder
Fallen from an aeroplane
Thats news—telephone us!
It's up to Carranza now.
The Grand should be some theatre when all the proposed improvements have been made.
Are we going to have a safe and sane Fourth?
Bond got his way about the mobilization grounds.
All the soldiers on the border should be furnished with lariats.
General Hunger seems to be some recruiting officer in Mexico.
Woodward says he does not know anything about Spanish, but he supposes "Hombre Bravo" is something nice.
A monument has been erected to Augustus Pollack, stogie manufacturer at Wheeling. Why not smoke a consumer for his stogies?

Monongalia Musings

Evidently one of the Chicago conventions was not in an heroic mood.
Our chances of being appointed postmaster at Armageddon are not growing brighter.
T. R. says he is out of politics. Put out.
The children of George Whatawad Perkins must struggle along without Roosevelt's revamped reforms.
The latest gag is that Teddy was arrested. What for? Killing bull moose out of season. Didn't he have the right to kill the thing? He raised it up for that purpose.
If this thing keeps up, a society for the reformation of reformers will be urgently needed. A society for the prevention of cruelty to Favorite Sons has already been organized and is seeking contributions.
T. R. now signifies Through Running according to an undesirable citizen.
It appears that our Primary Election law is without honor in every country.
The youth who courts a tall girl may have high ambitions but she will always look down on them.
An intellectual giant has discovered that now is the time to shell the peanut politicians.
Common sense is an admirable thing and it is refreshing, in that age of pomp, gall, glitter and embugglements, to find a man sensible enough to say that "A man does not serve his country by canting, snuffling, and marching in parades; he serves her by striving to make her clean, brave, just, intelligent and worthy of respect."
Barnes, Cannon and Penrose may not be angels, neither are they demagogues.
The sense of justice and the sentiment of consistency do not always dwell in the same soul at the same time. In some counties "wet" candidates ran about as well as "dry" candidates for different positions.
Alas, the Bull Moose Party, we knew it well. It went forth in the sultry summer days of 1912 supported by the personal pronoun of Oyster Bay and Perkins' pompous power package, unlimited. The days of its youth were

OUTBURSTS OF EVERETT TRUE
(BY CONDO.)



marked with noise and its journey on the River of Doubt was not free from the surging billows' roar. In the Windy City it was born and there it passed away. Please pussyfoot.
We respectfully suggest that the following sentiment from Douglas Jerrold be inscribed over the entrance of Suffrage Headquarters. "To fan treason into a full blaze, always fan with a petticoat."
A wicked western wet insinuates that judging by the short skirts it is clear that it is not only the prodigal son who needs the fatted calf.

RUFF STUFF
BY RED.

What is so rare as a rainless June day?
Carranza will have a chance to make a hurried trip to Spain now any time he gets ready.
There is one thing we can safely say, and that is that there is no Dead Man Hill, and there's not going to be—north of the Rio Grande.
Of course, when some one hookee Pat Deveny's junk he blamed it on R. Stuff.
Judging from the looks of Monroe street and the Deveny corner property we must be knee deep in June.
Kipling claims that they are more deadly than the M.G.'s; why not let them go with the N.G.'s?
If guns have no effect on the Mexicans they ought to let Lieutenant Linger mix sodas for Carranza.
Seems strange how these W. L. hams get their names in the papers.
Fifty-three years old yesterday—many happy returns.
"Whiskey seller fined." Should be "Whiskey Cellar Fund."
Why not move the clock ahead and accept the Carranza peace treaty now?
Speaking of soldiers we know of several who are drawing good salaries that are not in any army.
Looking at the used-to-be punitive expedition in another light, how much will ham be selling for in a few weeks?
There is a great bond existing between the First regiment and duty.
It also looks as if this Mexican trouble will stop all efforts on the part of railway employees to get more money. They feel that America First is synonymous with Safety First.
Ex. Gov. Glynn says that John D. can't eat a square meal and that Carnegie can't spell. Which places Glynn in the Hall of Fame for the great light he has thrown upon two ponderous personages.

CHICAGO DOCTOR IS KNIGHTED BY POPE



Dr. Murphy of Chicago, is one of the few men in United States to be knighted by Pope Benedict. He has just been notified of the honor conferred upon him.

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Court News

Marriage Licenses.
Roy Sims, 23, Sutton, and Daisy Grimm, 23, Fairmont.
Domenico Massimiani, 26, and Julia Frataroli, 16, both of Farmington. Vincenzo Frataroli consented in person.
Charles Buchen, 28, Rivesville, and Alice Host, widow, 27, Fairmont.
Vital Statistics.
One birth and one death registered by Dr. W. C. Ogden.
Deaths.
John A. Clark, et al to W. G. De Vault, real estate in Cox plat addition to Fairmont. Consideration \$800.
West End Improvement Company to Franklin K. Day, real estate in West

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